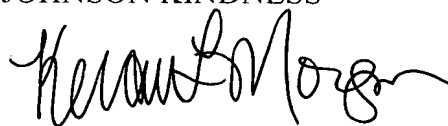


REMARKS

Prior to examination, please amend the present application by canceling claims 1-9 and adding new claims 10-30. The amendments indicated above are not required for purposes of patentability. Rather, the newly presented claims are believed to more broadly state the subject matter for which patent protection is sought. Examination of the claims and allowance of the application at an early date is requested.

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